



Docket No.: 522.1921D2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Mayumi TOMIKAWA et al.

Serial No. 09/910,071

Group Art Unit: 1631

Confirmation No. 2943

Filed: July 23, 2001

Examiner: Michael L. BORIN

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EXTRACTING AND EVALUATING MUTUALLY
SIMILAR PORTIONS IN ONE-DIMENSIONAL SEQUENCES IN MOLECULES AND/OR
THREE-DIMENSIONAL STRUCTURES OF MOLECULES

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 5, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on November 5, 2004. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to December 6, 2004 (December 5, 2004 being a Sunday).

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is filed concurrently herewith.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.